(*b*) whether there is any graduate from the Hindu Nadar community serving in the department, and if so, what is the length of service and the post held in the department of such person or persons ; and

(*c*) why representatives of other unrepresented communities were preferred, overlooking the claims of duly qualified Hindu Nadars working in the department ?

Mr. E. I. Mathew (*Director of Registration*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) There is one Hindu Nadar graduate who entered the department on 26-9-1103 and he is now a Head Clerk in a Sub-Registry office in the scale of Rs. 25-40.

(*c*) There was no overlooking of claims of Hindu Nadars working in the department.

Attack of malaria in Neyyattinkara, Nedumangad and Vilavankod.

84. * **Mr. N. K. Padmanabha Pillai** : As regards the outbreak of the malaria epidemic in Neyyattinkara, Nedumangad and Vilavankod, will the Government be pleased to furnish a comparative statement of the extent of the attack in these three taluks ?

Mr. T. C. Thomman : Complete figures of the attack of malaria in these taluks are not available at present.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know whether the Public Health Department has not collected statistics on this matter ?

Mr. T. C. Thomman : Yes, to some extent.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know what is the difficulty in giving complete figures ?

Mr. T. C. Thomman : Complete figures have not been received.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know whether the member is in possession of any figure relating to this matter ?

Mr. T. C. Thomman : I have got some figures up to the end of Kanni.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know the extent of the attack up to Kanni ?

Mr. T. C. Thomman : About two lakhs of people have been treated.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : Are there cases where no treatment was given at all ?

Mr. T. C. Thomman : There might have been.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know what steps are now being taken to collect correct statistics relating to the attack of malaria in these taluks ?

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Mr. T. C. Thomman: The Sanitary Inspectors have been asked to send up their reports.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know when they were asked to send up their reports?

Mr. T. C. Thomman: From the beginning of the attack.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: Am I to understand that they have not sent up their reports till now?

President: The epidemic has not yet subsided.

Transfer of the District Registrar, Trivandrum.

85 ***Mr. E. P. Varghese**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is a rule or policy that administrative and executive officers should be given transfers once in three years;

(*b*) how long has the present District Registrar at Trivandrum been in charge of the district;

(*c*) whether Mr. Padmanabha Pillai was recommended for a transfer during the time of Mr. Madhavan Nayar, the Director of Registration; and

(*d*) if the answer to part (*c*) is in the affirmative, why was he not transferred?

Mr. E. I. Mathew: (*a*) No.

(*b*) From the 1st Dhanu 1100, with the exception of 13 months in two periods when he worked as officer in charge of the duties of the Director.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) The Director subsequently recommended the postponement of his proposal.

Mr. E. P. Varghese: May I know whether there is at least a general practice that the executive officers are not kept in the same place for over three years?

Mr. E. I. Mathew: It will depend upon his conduct at the station. If complaints are received from the people of the locality and if they are found to be probable, then the earliest opportunity is taken to transfer the officer concerned.

Mr. E. P. Varghese: With regard to the answer to part (*b*) may I know whether he has been in Trivandrum before 1100?

Mr. E. I. Mathew: Yes, he was the manager of the office.

Mr. E. P. Varghese: With regard to the answer to part (*d*), may I know when this recommendation for postponement of the proposal was made?

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